

**Town of Mansfield
Parks Advisory Committee
Minutes
October 5, 2011
Secretary – Al Montoya**

Present: Sue Harrington, Tom Harrington, Ethan Avery, Al Montoya, Julianna Barrett and Jennifer Kaufman

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 P.M.
- II. The minutes for the September meeting were approved with minor changes.
- III. Old Business
 - a. Moss Sanctuary
 - i. There is a need for a bridge, similar to the Mt. Hope bridge in order to make this area safer.
- IV. New Business
 - a. E.O. Smith PAC liaison
 - i. Dan Vitullo has expressed interest in becoming the new representative from E.O. Smith.
 - b. Dorwart Trail Guide
 - i. Jennifer will add comments from the recent dedication to the trail guide.
 - ii. There were several historical comments that would be beneficial in annotating areas of interest.
 - c. Upcoming initiatives
 - i. There is a walk planned for Merrow Meadow on Saturday, October 8, 2011.
 - ii. There is a tracking event planed for winter that will be in conjunction with the Storrs Winter Carnival.
 - iii. Star party – the last star party was a success and it was suggested that one be planned in the winter.
 - iv. Eagle Scout projects – There are new projects planned for Moss sanctuary and Dorwart (stream and overlooks).
 - d. Management Plans
 - i. There is a need to develop a schedule to review management plans
 - ii. New plans needed - Moss Sanctuary and Dorwart Preserve.
- V. The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Al Montoya, Secretary